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Dear Sir:

On May 7, 2002, a response was filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-captioned patent application. As yet, Applicants have not received action on this case.

It is respectfully requested that the Commissioner advise the undersigned attorney when an action will be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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